GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE
LOK SABHA

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UNEVEN GROWTH OF MEDICAL INSTITUTIONS
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Will the Minister of HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether there has been uneven growth of medical institutions in the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof and the reasons therefore; and

(c) the corrective steps taken by the Government in this regard?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF HEALTH AND FAMILY WELFARE(DR. ANBUMANI RAMADOSS)

(a) Yes,Sir.

(b) &(c) The details of medical colleges in the country, State-wise is at Annexure.As per the Indian Medical Council Act, 1956, as amended and the Regulations made thereunder, it is for the State Government to decide the need to open a medical college. The Central Government is giving permission for opening of medical college based on the Essentiality Certificate given by the respective State Government and availability of infrastructural facilities.However, under the scheme of Pradhan Mantri Swasthya Suraksha Yojna, the Central Government has proposed to set up six AIIMS like institutions in underserved areas. There is also a proposal to set up two more AIIMS like institutions in the State of Uttar Pradesh and West Bengal.Further,in order to rectify regional imbalance in the distribution of medical colleges, the Government has proposed to amend the MCI regulations.